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TAGS: ENRG, SW

SUBJECT: SWEDISH DE FACTO DECISION ON IEP EXPECTED NOV 4

REF: STOCKHOLM 4851

1. SUMMARY. MFA SOURCE INFORMED EMBASSY THAT, SHORT OF
OVERWHELMING POLITICAL OBJECTIONS WHICH ARE NOT NOW
ANTICIPATED, SWDEN WILL JOIN IEP. SOURCE SAID MEETING OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS COUNCIL NOV. 4 WILL MOST LIKELY DETERMINE
SWEDISH DECISION. END SUMMARY.

2. EWERLOF OF MFA PROVIDED FOLLOWING ROUND-UP TO ECON/
COMM COUNSELOR ON OCT. 31 WHICH CONFIRMS ESSENTIAL OUTLINE
OF DEVELOPMENTS CONTAINED IN REFTEL. EWERLOF SAID EVENTS
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THIS PAST WEEK HAVE CLEARLY MOVED SWEDEN IN DIRECTION OF

JOINING IEP. HE CITED OCT. 28 CABINET MEETING DISCUSSIONS, AND HIS TALKS WITH NEUTRALS ON OCT. 29 AND TALKS WITH DAVIGNON ON OCT. 30. ON NEXT STQ HE SAID FOREIGN AFFAIRS COUNCIL MEETING OF NOV. 4 WILL DETERMINE, FOR PRACTICAL PURPOSES, WHETHER SWEDEN WILL OR WILL NOT JOIN.

3. IN TALKS WITH DAVIGNON EWERLOF SAID FOLLOWING POINTS WERE MADE CLEAR:

A. SWEDEN WILL MAKE A UNILATERAL NEUTRALITY DECLARATION AT TIME IT JOINS IEP;

B. IEP, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF ECG MEMBERS, WILL CONTAIN A SHORT AND GENERAL "EXCEPTION CLAUSE" TO COVER NEUTRALITY QUESTION, BUT CLAUSE WILL PERTAIN TO ALL PARTICIPANTS;

C. SWEDEN AF OTHER NEUTRAL PARTICIPANTS WILL MAKE IT CLEAR THEY WILL NOT ABUSE THEIR POSITION OF NEUTRALITY.

4. EWERLOF INDICATED THAT NORWEGIANS THOUGH THEY WILL NOT JOIN, MAY COOPERATE IN SOME FORM. EWERLOF GAVE NO INDICATIONS THAT NORWAY'S ABSTENSION WOULD SERIOUSLY AFFECT SWEDISH DECISION.
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